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BLAND, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 536, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 251, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with amendments.

BLAND, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 573, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with amendments.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 597, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirty-second, Thirty-ninth and Seventieth Judicial Districts so as to declare what counties compose the Thirty-second, Thirty-ninth and Seventieth Judicial Districts; to fix the time for holding court in the various counties of said district; to make all process issued to serve before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds return-

able to the terms of court as herein fixed and continuing in office judges and district attorneys in each of said districts; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

DENTON, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 590, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Stewart has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

WOODUL, Chairman.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH DAY.

(Saturday, February 10, 1917.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Davis
Baker.	of Van Zandt.
Beard of Milam.	De Bogory.
Beasley.	Denton.
Bedell.	Dodd.
Bell.	Dudley.
Bertram.	Dunnam.
Blackburn.	Estes.
Blackmon.	Fairchild.
Blalock.	Fisher.
Bland.	Fitzpatrick.
Bledsoe.	Fly.
Boner.	Greenwood.
Brown.	Haidusek.
Bryan.	Hardey.
Bryant.	Harris.
Burton of Rusk.	Hartman.
Burton of Tarrant.	Hawkins.
Butler.	Hill.
Cadenhead.	Johnson.
Canales.	Laas.
Carlock.	Lacey.
Cates.	Laney.
Clark.	Lanier.
Cope.	Lee.
Cox.	Lindemann.
Crudgington.	Low
Davis of Dallas.	of Washington.
Davis of Grimes.	McComb.

McCoy.	Smith of Hopkins.
McDowra.	Smith of Scurry.
McFarland.	Spencer of Nolan.
McMillin.	Spradley.
Martin.	Strayhorn.
Meador.	Swope.
Mendell.	Taylor.
Metcalfe.	Templeton.
Miller of Dallas.	Terrell.
Monday.	Thomason
Morris.	of Nacogdoches.
Murrell.	Thompson
Neeley.	of Hunt.
Neill.	Thompson
Nichols.	of Red River.
O'Banion.	Tillotson.
O'Brien.	Tilson.
Osborne.	Tinner.
Parks.	Trayler.
Peddy.	Tschoepe.
Peyton.	Upchurch.
Pillow.	Valentine.
Richards.	Veatch.
Robertson.	Walker.
Roemer.	White.
Rogers.	Williams
Russell.	of Brazoria.
Sackett.	Williams
Sallas.	of McLennan.
Sentell.	Williford.
Schlosshan.	Wilson.
Scholl.	Woods.
Seawright.	Woodul.
Smith of Bastrop.	Yantis.

Absent.

Poage.	Thomas.
Pope.	Wahrmund.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Moore.
Beason.	Nordhaus.
Florer.	Raiden.
Holland.	Reeves.
Hudspeth.	Schlesinger.
Jones.	Sholars.
Lange.	Spencer of Wise.
Lowe	Stewart.
of McMullen.	Thomason
Miller of Austin.	of El Paso.

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. W. Joplin, pastor of the University Presbyterian Church, of Austin.

## LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Martin, for last Thursday, on motion of Mr. Mendell.

Mr. Thomason of El Paso, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Dudley.

Mr. Lange, for today, on motion of Mr. Denton.

Mr. Lowe of McMullen, for today, on motion of Mr. Hartman.

Mr. Florer, for today, on motion of Mr. Osborne.

The following member was granted leave of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Miller of Austin, for last Thursday, yesterday and today, on motion of Mr. Tillotson.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important committee work:

Messrs. Reeves, Moore, Stewart, Nordhaus, Beason, Holland, Raiden, Sholars, Hudspeth and Schlesinger, the committees to visit the penitentiary and penitentiary farms, for today and next Monday, on motion of Mr. Fuller.

## HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Carlock and Mr. Burton of Tarrant (by request):

H. B. No. 634, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Governor of the State to appoint a State Landscape Architect, prescribing his qualifications, duties and compensation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Nichols:

H. B. No. 635, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an appropriation to enable the State Librarian to collect and preserve all obtainable data relating to the lives and achievements of the industrial pioneers and leaders of Texas and to the industrial and material development of Texas; providing for an effective agency to accomplish said purpose in connection with the office of the State Librarian, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Greenwood:

H. B. No. 636, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a more efficient road system for Wichita county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Scholl:

H. B. No. 637, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an emergency appro-

priation for the purpose of purchasing and installing a storage tank and other facilities to store and convey oil from the Southwest Texas State Normal, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Stewart:

H. B. No. 638, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the First Judicial District, to be composed of the counties of San Augustine, Sabine, Newton, Jasper and Orange; fixing the time for holding court therein, and after July 1, 1917, continuing the times of holding court therein as now provided by law until July 1, 1917; to validate process, bonds, recognizances heretofore issued or taken in the courts of said district, and to preserve and validate all judgments rendered or to be rendered in the courts in said district prior to July 1, 1917, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Templeton:

H. B. No. 639, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit the paying of the members of the commissioners courts in Wheeler county, Texas, \$4.00 per day for services."

Referred to Committee on Counties.

By Mr. Templeton:

H. B. No. 640, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Wheeler Independent School District of Wheeler county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Williams of McLennan:

H. B. No. 641, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the Commissioner of Insurance to license agents of insurance companies; providing what the license shall state and how obtained, and providing for revocation of such license, termination thereof, for renewal of same, and providing a penalty for violation of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Johnson:

H. B. No. 642, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7383, Chapter 2, Title 126, Revised Statutes of Texas, relating to gross receipts tax on oil companies."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Florer and Mr. Williams of McLennan:

H. B. No. 643, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the citizens of this State to take insurance on their lives payable to business partners, firm or corporations, of which they are members or stockholders, religious, charitable, benevolent, or educational institutions, situated in the State of Texas, and to assign policies to such persons, firms, corporations or institutions."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Robertson:

H. B. No. 644, A bill to be entitled "An Act to vest title to the property near the intersection of Nineteenth Street and East Avenue, in the city of Austin, belonging to the Blind Asylum in the University of Texas, and to direct conveyance thereof to the State University."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Cates:

H. B. No. 645, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Florence Independent School District in Williamson county, Texas, including the present Florence Independent School District, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 646, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the creation and organization of fire districts, and the levying of a tax on the property therein for purposes of fire protection, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

#### SENATE BILL AND RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bill and joint resolution were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 226, to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 12, to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

## BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Mendell, it was ordered that Senate bills Nos. 159 and 124 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches, it was ordered that House bills Nos. 608 and 609 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Greenwood, it was ordered that House bill No. 636 be not printed.

## RELATIONS BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND GERMANY.

Mr. Martin offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 12, Concerning relations between United States and Germany.

Whereas, The diplomatic relations between the United States of America and Germany have been severed; and

Whereas, Both representatives of their respective countries have been withdrawn; and

Whereas, At this time there are indications of declarations of war; and

Whereas, Although the entire nation, including every German-American of the United States of America, including the State of Texas, will stand behind the President, which is evidenced by a resolution adopted by the German-American National Alliance declaring itself to be behind the President and endorsing the steps he has taken; and

Whereas, It is evident that Germany is now fighting for her existence against great odds; and

Whereas, Germany has done much toward the upbuilding and development of our country by many of her nationality settling in our nation, and who are desirable citizens; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, again assure the President of the State of Texas' loyalty, but ask him to take the above matters into consideration before taking any further steps, by sending him a copy of this resolution.

The resolution was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Butler, the resolution was referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

## PROVIDING COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That, whereas several em-

ployes have worked in the House since its organization, and have just recently been appointed, that they be paid for such time as they have actually been in discharge of their duties as employes of the House; and that the Speaker be instructed to issue the necessary warrants.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 234 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 234, A bill to be entitled "An Act to apportion the State of Texas into congressional districts, naming the counties composing the same, and providing for the election of a member of the Congress of the United States from each district, repealing all laws in conflict herewith and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Bledsoe moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until next Thursday, February 15.

On motion of Mr. Boner, the motion to postpone was tabled.

Mr. De Bogory offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend committee substitute to House bill No. 234 by taking Taylor county out of the Sixteenth District and putting it into the Seventeenth District.

Mr. Boner moved to table the amendment, and the motion to table was lost.

Question recurring on the amendment, it was lost.

Mr. Rogers moved the previous question on the passage of the bill, and the motion was not seconded.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Dallas, further consideration of the bill was postponed until 10 o'clock a. m. next Wednesday, February 14.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

S. B. No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the authority of the commissioners court of Duval county, Texas; and of the county commissioners of said county; to require said county commissioners to devote their entire time and attention to the affairs of said commissioners court, and repealing all laws,



general and special, in conflict with the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 250, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 50a, Chapter 100, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, relating to the authority of commissioners courts to create county line school districts; so as to authorize boards of county school trustees to create such districts and prescribing the manner whereby such districts may be created, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 13, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the payment by the State of Texas of a monthly pension to indigent, widowed mothers for the partial support of their children in their own homes."

S. B. No. 246, A bill to be entitled "An Act conveying to the United States of America all right, title and interest which the State of Texas may have or hold in and to the following described tract of land, situated in the city of Galveston, and the county of Galveston, State of Texas, known and described on the maps and plans of said city now in common use as being the tract of land located on the dyke in Galveston bay, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 81, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 5982 and 5988 of Title 96 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to navigation districts, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate concurs in House amendments to Senate bill No. 278 by a vote of 28 yeas, 0 nays.

The Senate refuses to concur in House amendments to Senate bill No. 37, and requests a Free Conference Committee. The following members have been elected on the part of the Senate: Senators Clark, Hudspeth, Caldwell, Dayton, Parr.

The Senate concurs in House amendments to Senate bill No. 71.

The Senate concurs in House amendments to Senate bill No. 75 by a vote of 27 yeas, 0 nays.

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 296 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 296, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the election of county school trustees; defining the term of office thereof; stating the manner of having the names of candidates

placed on the official ballot; fixing the date of said election, and providing who shall participate in said election; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the House refused to pass the bill by the following vote:

Yeas—51.

Mr. Speaker.	Metcalf.
Beard of Milam.	Neeley.
Beasley.	Nichols.
Bedell.	Osborne.
Bell.	Peyton.
Blackmon.	Robertson.
Blalock.	Sackett.
Bryan.	Sallas.
Bryant.	Sentell.
Burton of Tarrant.	Schlosshan.
Canales.	Schöll.
Carlock.	Seawright.
Clark.	Smith of Bastrop.
Cope.	Smith of Hopkins.
Davis of Dallas.	Smith of Scurry.
Davis of Grimes.	Spencer of Nolan.
Davis	Terrell.
of Van Zandt.	Thomason
De Bogory.	of Nacogdoches.
Estes.	Thompson
Fairchild.	of Hunt.
Greenwood.	Thompson
Johnson.	of Red River.
Lacey.	Valentine.
Laney.	Williams
McFarland.	of Brazoria.
Meador.	Wilson.
Mendell.	Yantis.

Nays—55.

Bagby.	Lanier.
Baker.	Lee.
Bertram.	Lindemann.
Blackburn.	McComb.
Bland.	McCoy.
Bledsoe.	McDowra.
Boner.	McMillin.
Burton of Rusk.	Martin.
Butler.	Miller of Dallas.
Cadenhead.	Morris.
Cates.	Murrell.
Cox.	Neill.
Crudgington.	O'Banion.
Denton.	O'Brien.
Dodd.	Parks.
Dudley.	Richards.
Dunnam.	Roemer.
Fisher.	Rogers.
Fitzpatrick.	Russell.
Haidusek.	Spradley.
Harris.	Swope.
Hartman.	Tilson.
Laas.	Tinner.

Trayler.	White.
Tschoepe.	Williams
Upchurch.	of McLennan.
Veatch.	Williford.
Walker.	Woods.

Present—Not Voting.

Woodul.

Absent.

Brown.	Pillow.
Fly.	Poage.
Hardey.	Pope.
Hawkins.	Strayhorn.
Hill.	Taylor.
Low	Templeton.
of Washington.	Thomas.
Monday.	Tillotson.
Peddy.	Wahrmund.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Moore.
Beason.	Nordhaus.
Florer.	Raiden.
Holland.	Reeves.
Hudspeth.	Schlesinger.
Jones.	Sholars.
Lange.	Spencer of Wise.
Lowe.	Stewart.
of McMullen.	Thomason
Miller of Austin.	of El Paso.

Mr. Lee moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 302 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, H. B. No. 302, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 886, Title 13, offenses against public property, Chapter 6, Penal Code of 1911, of the State of Texas, relative to the protection of certain game, so as to prohibit the killing thereof for the next twenty-five years; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Dudley offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 302 by inserting in line 18 after the word "antelope" the following words: "or Rocky Mountain sheep or Rocky Mountain goat."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dudley offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 302 by substituting in line 21 the words "five hundred (\$500.00) dollars" for "five (\$5.00) dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cope offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 302 by adding the word "and" after the word "dollars" in line 22, and strike out all of the following in lines 23 and 24: "or both fined and imprisoned."

Signed—Cope, Osborne.

(Mr. Blalock in the chair.)

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Sentell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 302, Section 1, line 20, by substituting "may" for "shall."

Mr. Valentine moved the previous question on the amendment and the passage of the bill, and the motion was not seconded.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bledsoe moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment offered by Mr. Cope was lost.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Question then recurring on the amendment, it was adopted.

House bill No. 302 was then passed.

Mr. Dudley moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 354 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 354, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirty-eighth, the Fifty-first, the Sixty-third and the Seventieth Judicial Districts of the State of Texas, and to create the Eighty-third Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to prescribe the time and fix the terms of holding the courts in each of the said judicial districts, and to conform all writs and process from such courts to such changes, and to provide for the appointment and election of a district judge and district attorney in said Eighty-third Judicial District, and to make all process issued or served before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds returnable to the terms of the courts in the several districts as herein fixed; to validate such process and to validate the summoning of grand and petit jurors and juries, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Bryan offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 354, Section 1, line 1, page 2, by inserting after the word "in" the words "March and."

Amend House bill No. 354, Section 9, page 5, line 5, by inserting after the word "the" the words "terms of."

The amendment was adopted.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll; and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—84.

Bagby.	McFarland.
Baker.	McMillin.
Beasley.	Martin.
Bedell.	Mendell.
Bell.	Metcalfe.
Blackburn.	Miller of Dallas.
Blackmon.	Morris.
Blalock.	Neeley.
Bland.	Neill.
Bledsoe.	Nichols.
Boner.	O'Banion.
Bryan.	O'Brien.
Bryant.	Osborne.
Burton of Rusk.	Peyton.
Burton of Tarrant.	Richards.
Canales.	Robertson.
Cates.	Russell.
Clark.	Sackett.
Cope.	Schlosshan.
Cox.	Schöll.
Crudgington.	Smith of Bastrop.
Davis of Grimes.	Smith of Scurry.
Davis	Spencer of Nolan.
of Van Zandt.	Spradley.
De Bogory.	Swope.
Denton.	Templeton.
Dudley.	Thomason
Estes.	of Nacogdoches.
Fairchild.	Thompson
Fisher.	of Hunt.
Fitzpatrick.	Thompson
Fly.	of Red River.
Greenwood.	Tillotson.
Haidusek.	Tilson.
Hardey.	Tschoepe.
Hartman.	Upchurch.
Johnson.	Valentine.
Laas.	Walker.
Laney.	White.
Lanier.	Williams
Lee.	of McLennan.
Lindemann.	Williford.
Low	Woods.
of Washington.	Woodul.
McComb.	Yantis.

Nays—20.

Bertram.	Davis of Dallas.
Butler.	Dodd.
Cadenhead.	Dunnam.

Lacey.	Sentell.
McCoy.	Smith of Hopkins.
McDowra.	Taylor.
Meador.	Terrell.
Murrell.	Tinner.
Rogers.	Veatch.
Sallas.	Wilson.

Absent.

Beard of Milam.	Poage.
Brown.	Pope.
Carlock.	Roemer.
Harris.	Seawright.
Hawkins.	Strayhorn.
Hill.	Thomas.
Monday.	Trayler.
Parks.	Wahrmond.
Peddy.	Williams
Pillow.	of Brazoria.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Moore.
Beason.	Nordhaus.
Florer.	Raiden.
Holland.	Reeves.
Hudspeth.	Schlesinger.
Jones.	Sholars.
Lange.	Spencer of Wise.
Lowe.	Stewart.
of McMullen.	Thomason
Miller of Austin.	of El Paso.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 364 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 364, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the publication in some newspaper of general circulation of all notices now required by law or contract to be given of any act or proceeding, whether public or private, or relating to a judicial, executive or legislative matter, which notice is now authorized by law or contract to be made by posting notice in one or more public places; fixing a time for such publication, and the compensation; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 364, lines 22 and 27, page 1, by striking out the word "precinct" and inserting the word "county" in each place.

(2)

Amend House bill No. 364 by striking out the words "publication thereof may"

in line 28 and by striking out the words "in the county," in line 34, and by striking out all of lines 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, page 1.

The amendments were severally adopted.

Mr. Crudginton offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend by adding in line 23, after the word "occur" the following: "except public road and probate notices."

The amendment was adopted.

Question recurring on the final passage of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—82.

Bagby.	Martin.
Baker.	Mendell.
Beasley.	Metcalfe.
Bedell.	Monday.
Bell.	Murrell.
Blackburn.	Neeley.
Blackmon.	Neill.
Blalock.	Nichols.
Bland.	Osborne.
Boner.	Peddy.
Brown.	Richards.
Bryan.	Robertson.
Bryant.	Roemer.
Burton of Tarrant.	Rogers.
Canales.	Russell.
Cates.	Sackett.
Clark.	Sentell.
Cope.	Schlosshan.
Crudginton.	Scholl.
Davis of Dallas.	Smith of Bastrop.
Davis of Grimes.	Smith of Scurry.
Davis	Spradley.
of Van Zandt.	Swope.
De Bogory.	Taylor.
Denton.	Templeton.
Dunnam.	Thomason
Fairchild.	of Nacogdoches.
Fisher.	Tillotson.
Fitzpatrick.	Tilson.
Fly.	Tinner.
Greenwood.	Tschoepe.
Haidusek.	Upchurch.
Hardey.	Valentine.
Hartman.	Veatch.
Hawkins.	Walker.
Laas.	White.
Lanier.	Williams
Lindemann.	of McLennan.
Low	Williford.
of Washington.	Wilson.
McComb.	Woods.
McCoy.	Woodul.
McFarland.	Yantis.

Nays—25.

Bertram.	Burton of Rusk.
Bledsoe.	Butler.

Cadenhead.	O'Brien.
Cox.	Peyton.
Dodd.	Sallas.
Dudley.	Seawright.
Estes.	Smith of Hopkins.
Harris.	Spencer of Nolan.
Lacey.	Terrell.
Lee.	Thompson
McDowra.	of Hunt.
Miller of Dallas.	Thompson
Morris.	of Red River.
O'Banion.	

Absent.

Beard of Milam.	Poage.
Carlock.	Pope.
Hill.	Strayhorn.
Johnson.	Thomas.
Laney.	Trayler.
McMillin.	Wahrmund.
Meador.	Williams
Parks.	of Brazoria.
Pillow.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Moore.
Beason.	Nordhaus.
Florer.	Raiden.
Holland.	Reeves.
Hudspeth.	Schlesinger.
Jones.	Sholars.
Lange.	Spencer of Wise.
Lowe	Stewart.
of McMullen.	Thomason
Miller of Austin.	of El Paso.

Mr. Canales moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed.

Mr. Fisher moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—38.

Bagby.	Lindemann.
Baker.	McComb.
Bell.	Martin.
Blackburn.	Mendell.
Blackmon.	Metcalfe.
Blalock.	Monday.
Bland.	Pillow.
Boner.	Richards.
Brown.	Roemer.
Bryant.	Russell.
Burton of Tarrant.	Scholl.
Carlock.	Spradley.
Cates.	Valentine.
Clark.	Veatch.
Davis	Williams
of Van Zandt.	of Brazoria.
Denton.	Williams
Fisher.	of McLennan.
Greenwood.	Wilson.
Haidusek.	Yantis.
Hartman.	



## Nays—72.

Beasley.	Neeley.
Bedell.	Neill.
Bertram.	Nichols.
Bledsoe.	O'Banion.
Bryan.	O'Brien.
Burton of Rusk.	Osborne.
Butler.	Parks.
Cadenhead.	Peddy.
Canales.	Peyton.
Cope.	Robertson.
Cox.	Rogers.
Crudgington.	Sackett.
Davis of Dallas.	Sallas.
Davis of Grimes.	Sentell.
De Bogory.	Schlosshan.
Dodd.	Seawright.
Dudley.	Smith of Bastrop.
Dunnam.	Smith of Hopkins.
Estes.	Smith of Scurry.
Fairchild.	Spencer of Nolan.
Fitzpatrick.	Swope.
Fly.	Taylor.
Hardey.	Terrell.
Harris.	Thompson
Hawkins.	of Hunt.
Johnson.	Thompson
Laas.	of Red River.
Lacey.	Tillotson.
Lee.	Tilson.
McCoy.	Tinner.
McDowra.	Tschoepe.
McFarland.	Upchurch.
McMillin.	Walker.
Meador.	White.
Miller of Dallas.	Williford.
Morris.	Woods.
Murrell.	Woodul.

## Absent.

Beard of Milam.	Strayhorn.
Hill.	Templeton.
Laney.	Thomas.
Lanier.	Thomason
Low	of Nacogdoches.
of Washington.	Traylor.
Poage.	Wahrmund.
Pope.	

## Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Moore.
Beason.	Nordhaus.
Florer.	Raiden.
Holland.	Reeves.
Hudspeth.	Schlesinger.
Jones.	Sholars.
Lange.	Spencer of Wise.
Lowe.	Stewart.
of McMullen.	Thomason
Miller of Austin.	of El Paso.

Question—Shall the motion to reconsider prevail?

## ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Lee moved that the House recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Bryant moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

The motion to adjourn prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 12:10 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

## APPENDIX.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 159, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

PEYTON, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred Senate bill of 124, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

PEYTON, Chairman.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred the resolution to provide payment of salaries of stenographers for services rendered prior to the announcement of their appointment, beg to refer the matter back to the House without recommendation, as the matter does not come within the jurisdiction of the powers and duties of this committee.

PARKS, Chairman.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNTIES.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Counties,

to whom was referred House bill No. 594, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

HARDEY, Chairman.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 620, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 593, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 621, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 603, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education,

to whom was referred House bill No. 624, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 606, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 622, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 350, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

PILLOW, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Liquor Traffic, to whom was referred House bill No. 513, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendments by the committee. Mr. Davis of Van Zandt has been appointed to make a

full report thereon. Mr. Martin gave notice of a minority report.

McMILLIN, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS AND LAND OFFICE.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 243, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Hardey has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

BLEDSON, Vice-Chairman.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 510, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

NEILL, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 209, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

NEILL, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 380, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Thompson of Red River has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

NEILL, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 533, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendment. Mr. Sallas has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CRUDGINGTON, Vice-Chairman.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 509, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Blanket Independent School District in Brown and Comanche counties, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 576, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 24 and 25 of an act of the Legislature of Texas, approved March 24, 1911, and entitled 'An Act creating a more efficient road system for Anderson county, Texas, etc.'"

H. B. No. 554, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Chappell Hill Independent School District in Madison county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 516, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define the duties of county commissioners of San Patricio county, Texas, relating to the appointment and supervision of road overseers in defined road districts, and fixing the compensation of the commissioners of San Patricio county, Texas, when acting as ex-officio road commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 469, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish Common School District No. 4 in San Patricio county, Texas; extending its boundaries so as to include certain lands heretofore in Common School District No. 1 of said county; providing that such parts of Common School District No. 1 of San Patricio county as may hereafter be included in Common School District No. 4 shall continue to be subject to taxation for the payment of principal and

interest of any common school district schoolhouse bonds that may have heretofore been issued by Common School District No. 1, and remaining unpaid; conferring upon the board of county trustees the power to subdivide said district, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 553, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7305 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to the inspection of hides and animals, so as to include among the counties exempted from the provisions of Articles 7256 to 7304, inclusive, the counties of Coke, Irion, Reagan, Sterling, Tom Green and Upton."

H. B. No. 300, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the authority and duties of the commissioners court of Calhoun county, Texas, and of the county commissioners of said county; to require said county commissioners to devote their entire time and attention to the affairs of said county and to fix the salary for the members of said commissioners court, and repealing all laws, general and special, in conflict with the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 512, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the office of county road supervisor for Mills county, and prescribing the method for his appointment, duties and salary, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 563, A bill to be entitled "An Act to diminish the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the county court of Real county; to conform the jurisdiction of the district court thereto, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 440, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 11 of the Special Laws of Texas, passed by the First Called Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, approved June 4, 1915, being 'An Act incorporating and creating the Fulbright Independent School District in Red River county, Texas, for free school purposes only,' etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 409, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3883 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to fees of county officers."

H. B. No. 596, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Maydelle Independent School District in Cherokee county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 550, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Caldwell county; providing for the employment of a county road superintendent, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

And find them correctly engrossed.

RUSSELL, Vice-Chairman.

## TWENTY-SIXTH DAY.

(Monday, February 12, 1917.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Hartman.
Baker.	Hawkins.
Beard of Harris.	Hill.
Beard of Milam.	Hudspeth.
Beasley.	Johnson.
Beason.	Laas.
Bedell.	Lacey.
Bell.	Laney.
Bertram.	Lange.
Blackburn.	Lanier.
Blackmon.	Lee.
Blalock.	Lindemann.
Bland.	Lowe
Bledsoe.	of McMullen.
Boner.	Low
Brown.	of Washington.
Bryan.	McComb.
Bryant.	McCoy.
Burton of Rusk.	McDowra.
Burton of Tarrant.	McMillin.
Butler.	Meador.
Cadenhead.	Mendell.
Canales.	Metcalf.
Carlock.	Miller of Dallas.
Clark.	Monday.
Cope.	Moore.
Cox.	Morris.
Crudgington.	Murrell.
Davis of Dallas.	Neeley.
Davis of Grimes.	Neill.
Davis	Nichols.
of Van Zandt.	Nordhaus.
De Bogory.	O'Banion.
Denton.	O'Brien.
Dodd.	Osborne.
Dudley.	Parks.
Dunnam.	Peddy.
Estes.	Peyton.
Fairchild.	Pillow.
Fisher.	Poage.
Fitzpatrick.	Reeves.
Florer.	Richards.
Greenwood.	Robertson.
Haidusek.	Roemer.
Hardey.	Rogers.
Harris.	Russell.